

BEN 10: ALIEN FORCE  
"Vreedle, Vreedle"  
Outline  
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TEASER

EXT. OUTER SPACE

Two hulking, intergalactic hillbilly, bounty hunters by the names of OCTAGON VREEDLE and RHOMBOID "BOID" VREEDLE—known as THE VREEDLE BROTHERS—pilot their pickup-truck-of-a-ship through space. These two monstrous guys would feel right at home in the cast of RAISING ARIZONA.

They are surprised to get pulled over by a little ROBOT SPACE COP on a flying scooter. They pull over onto a nearby meteor. Dimwitted Octagon tells dimmerwitted Boid to let him do all the talking and just be cool, be cool. "Evening, office. Is there a problem?" The little robot procedurally asks them for their license and registration, please. Boid suddenly whips out an absolutely enormous laser blaster and zaps the little robot to smithereens—along with half of the meteor they're parked on! And keeps right on zapping until his blaster finally fizzles out of energy. Exasperated Octagon patiently explains to his simpleton brother that one could construe that reaction as a little bit excessive and wholly unnecessary. Again. This isn't the first time this kind of thing has happened. Boid is sorry. He'll try not to let it happen again. But he likes to blow stuff up real good! Not to worry: he'll have plenty of opportunity.

The Vreedle Brothers continue on their way. Where are they going? Earth!

## ACT I

### EXT. JULIE'S BACKYARD

Ben's girlfriend JULIE and her pet alien "dog" SHIP, the sentient little blob of Upgrade matter, play a variation on the game of "Catch." Julie throws several different things towards ship—a ball, a stick, a lawnchair—and rather than catching them, Ship leaps up and spreads himself all over them, assuming their shapes.

Suddenly, the Vreedle Brothers show up. They came to Earth to take Ship! Octagon quickly intercedes before trigger-happy Boid can blast little Ship into a million pieces: "What do I keep telling you? If we destroy it, we won't get paid. And that would be..." "Bad?" Octagon attempts to handle things all civilized like. He shows Julie a set of legal papers written in an alien glyph that she can't read. "So? Neither can we." All's they know is they are repo men with a court order to repossess that there blob. So hand it over, thank you kindly. Julie and Ship attempt to fend off the powerful Vreedle Brothers. Ship takes over the lawnmower in the yard to use as a weapon... but it turns out to actually be just a leafblower that only blows hot air at the Vreedles. Julie uses her cell phone to call BEN for help.

Mere moments later, supersonic JETRAY zooms in from overheard and joins the fight!

To better take on the two hulking Vreedle Brothers, Ben wants size on his side so decides to turn into Humongousaur. But the OMNITRIX is acting up on him, and instead of transforming into big strong Humongousaur, Ben is surprised to find himself after his transformation sequence as tiny mighty ECHO ECHO! The Vreedle Brothers scoff at their teensy adversary. But Echo Echo is a force to be reckoned with. Using his multiplying ability and sonic powers, Echo Echo sends the Vreedle Brothers packing. For now.

### EXT./INT. KEVIN'S GARAGE

Ben, Julie and Ship meet up with KEVIN and GWEN. Kevin is using his ID mask to look normal. He has a look at the mumbo-jumbo alien legal paperwork the Vreedle Brothers left behind and casually reveals that he knows how to read the

alien language! (Kevin is just full of surprises.) He used to do a little repo work himself back in the NULL VOID. He knows the score. It really does say that Ship has been repossessed and grants the Vreedles the right to take him! Julie is distraught. Ben doesn't want to lose a valuable member of the team. Oh, er, and he also doesn't want Julie to be upset. That too. He promises he'll take care of it. No problem. But how? Kevin knows. They've got the court order, so they'll just go right to the source, the high court on the planet GALVIN PRIME, and straighten this all out. No fuss, no muss. Julie and Gwen need to stay on Earth to protect Ship. As long as there's money to be had, those bounty-hunting Vreedle Brothers will be back. But how are Ben and Kevin going to get into outer space?

EXT./INT. SPIDERMONKEY II'S SPACESHIP

Kevin leads Ben to the spaceship they took to the moon with that other Spidermonkey in BIRDS OF A FEATHER. Ben: "Is this the ship from that guy on the moon? You told him you were going to give it back to him!" Kevin: "Whoops."

Inside the ship traveling through space, Ben and Kevin talk about their respective relationships with Julie and Gwen. Intercut with:

EXT. MR. SMOOTHIE PARKING LOT

Back on Earth, Julie and Gwen talk about their respective relationships with Ben and Kevin. Julie has Ship hidden in her school backpack. He peeks out and does comedic things like drink her smoothie when she isn't looking.

INT. SPIDERMONKEY II's SPACESHIP

Kevin lays out how it's all going to go down when they get to the high court on Galvin Prime. Kevin has experience at this kind of thing, so Ben needs to hang back and let him do all the talking, okay? Ben bristles at this. Who's the hero, here? Hello? Omnitrix-bearer! They'll listen to Ben on Galvin Prime way more than they'll listen to Kevin. Kevin should hang back and let *him* do the talking.

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The Vreedle Brothers appear and attack again, demanding to take Ship, so they can get paid! They fire powerful laser

blasts that cause wanton destruction. Gwen leaps into the fray, generating shields and attacking with energy blasts. The Vreedles have not faced Gwen before and are surprised by her powers. But after battling Echo Echo earlier, they are better prepared with even more powerful alien tech than before.

Things are looking bad for our heroes, until Ship surprises everyone by wrapping himself around Julie, covering her head to toe in his black and green Upgrade material. "No, Ship! Don't!" The Vreedle Brothers now advance menacingly on *Julie*!

## ACT II

### EXT. MR. SMOOTHIE PARKING LOT

Reveal that with Ship applied to her, Julie is now the new heroic character, ARMORED JULIE!

She and Gwen take on the Vreedle Brothers together in a tag-team battle with lots of spectacular action that showcases all the kick-ass things new Armored Julie can do. Gwen is mightily impressed. The Vreedle Brothers are confused: "Where'd the other Earth girl go?"

### EXT. GALVIN PRIME

Ben and Kevin's spaceship arrives on planet GALVIN PRIME.

### EXT./INT. GALVIN PRIME COURTHOUSE

Ben and Kevin enter the courtroom. It's like NIGHT COURT. The only beings there are the JUDGE (who is a Cerebrocrustacean like BRAINSTORM), the BALIFF (who is an ALTERED HIGHBREED!), and a couple of MONSTERS on trial in the outgoing case that's just finishing up. The Judge admonishes the two monsters: "You do not eat children! Yes, they are delicious. But we have laws! Now, if I see you in my courtroom again..." The monsters are taken away.

Next on the docket is a challenge to the court-ordered repossession of property belonging to an Upgrade by the name of BASIL. Basil enters and acknowledges the judge. (This Upgrade is like William F. Buckley crossed with Basil Fawlty.) Ben recognizes it's the same Upgrade from "PIER PRESSURE" who left Ship on Earth! That's right, but Basil became aware of Ship's amazing powers when word spread about Ship's participation in the climatic battle against the Highbreed at the end of season 2, so now Basil wants him back! "Ship is my property, ipso facto, he must be retuned to me." That's why he hired the repo guys.

The judge is shocked that anyone in their right mind would hire the Vreedle Brothers to bring someone back *alive*! Uh oh. This comment causes Ben some serious concern. He hopes Julie is all right!

EXT. MR. SMOOTHIE PARKING LOT

Gwen and Armored Julie continue to battle the powerfully destructive Vreedle Brothers. Gwen manages to momentarily distract the Vreedles with some BUBBLE WRAP from the dumpster. Pop-pop-pop. "My turn!" "No, me!" But as soon as they run out of bubbles to pop, back to the battle!

INT. GALVIN PRIME COURTHOUSE

The judge notices Kevin in the back of the courtroom and recognizes him. "Don't I know you, son?" Kevin is nervous and excessively polite: "Sir." Judge: "Kevin Levin! I should have known *you* were involved in this misappropriation of property. Didn't I tell you the next time I saw you in my courtroom, I'd..." Kevin interjects: "No, wait, Your Honor! It's not like that!" Judge: "That's what they all say."

EXT. MR. SMOOTHIE PARKING LOT

Armored Julie and Gwen continue to battle the Vreedle Brothers. These are a couple of tough customers. One of their laser blasts destroys the Mr. Smoothie sign! Oh, *that* does it...

INT. GALVIN PRIME COURTHOUSE

Kevin is super respectful in court. He knows the system. And he doesn't want any trouble. He starts to explain the situation to the judge, framing it as the-mean-dog-catchers-are-trying-to-take-away-a-kid's-dog.

But Ben cockily tells Kevin to step aside and let him handle this. Ben puts on the personality he thinks he's supposed to have. All heroes are confident: he's like the star quarterback of the universe, so he acts the way he thinks he's supposed to act. He addresses the judge with a self-assured attitude. "Your Honor? I'm Ben Tennyson. *The* Ben Tennyson. Wielder of the Omnitrix. Savior of the universe. I know you've heard of me." Kevin tries to get Ben to cut it out: "Shhh! Tennyson, that's not how you speak to a judge in court!" Kevin, the old criminal, does not want Ben to get *him* in trouble with the judge! But Ben insists he knows what he's doing. "I need you to do a little favor for me, Your Honor." He tells the judge it's just a little mix-up with Ship.

He whips out the Omnitrix to turn himself into BRAINSTORM to further ingratiate himself to the fellow Cerebrocrustacean judge. But the malfunctioning Omnitrix now turns him into HUMONGOUSAUR instead, causing some bull-in-the-china-shop destruction around him in the courtroom! Kevin shakes his head in exasperation: "Dude, you're blowing it." The judge does not look pleased.

EXT. MR. SMOOTHIE PARKING LOT

Armored Julie and Gwen are getting the best of the Vreedle Brothers. Lots of spectacular action.

But just when Armored Julie is about to take them out for good, the repo men slap an alien tech "BOOT" on Ship/her, so it/she can't move!

The Vreedle Brothers are victorious!

### ACT III

#### EXT. MR. SMOOTHIE PARKING LOT

The Vreedle Brothers hold booted Ship/Julie hostage. Gwen continues to battle them alone but does not want to hurt Julie.

#### INT. GALVIN PRIME COURTHOUSE

Humongousaur turns back into Ben, amid the rubble he caused. Kevin, cringing, is apologetic to the judge and starts cleaning up the mess. But Ben continues to address the judge with his confident, heroic attitude. Kevin scopes out the room for a way to escape if he has to. No way he's going back to jail/the Null Void! Especially if it's Tennyson's fault!

But the judge surprisingly agrees to help Ben! He says Ben is right, there's no reason the great Ben Tennyson, wielder of the Omnitrix, should have to deal with this matter. Done! Taken care of. The judge rescinds the warrant for Ship. Kevin is thrown for a loop. Ben's way worked! Ben wipes his hands in satisfaction: "All right-ty."

Basil the Upgrade, being the kind of guy who kisses up to authority and looks down upon lesser beings, effusively goes along with the judge's order: "Yes, Your Honor. You are so right, of course."

The judge cannot call off the Vreedle Brothers himself though. *That* Basil will have to do, because he's the one who was foolish enough to hire them in the first place. Good luck with that! Case dismissed.

Ben, Kevin and Basil race back to Earth to call off the Vreedle Brothers before it's too late!

#### EXT. MR. SMOOTHIE PARKING LOT

While fending off Gwen, the Vreedle Brothers discuss selling Ship to the highest bidder rather than returning him to Basil for the bounty. "If we sell it, we could get, uh..." Octagon counts on his fingers. He's missing a finger. "A lot?"



Spidermonkey II's SPACESHIP lands. Ben, Kevin, and Basil the Upgrade run out to put a stop to the Vreedle Brothers. Ben wonders where Julie is. Basil calls off the repo men. They are no longer in his employ. "Huh?" They don't work for him anymore. He's not going to pay them. Stand down!

Not going to pay them?? Boid startles everyone—except maybe Octagon—by whipping out his gigantic laser blaster and blowing the Upgrade to smithereens! Octagon, shaking his head, calmly turns to his brother and gently reminds him: "Remember when we talked about overreacting? Remember that? *This* is another one of those times." Boid: "Oh."

Ben, Kevin and Gwen, having now all witnessed firsthand what the Vreedles are truly capable of, prepare to battle them.

Just as Boid is about to bring down a big heavy object onto Ben's head, Ben fires up the Omnitrix and transforms himself into GOOP. The Vreedle's bludgeon passes right through him. Their massive displays of force are no match for Goop! "Hey, that tickles."

Kevin gets to work on hotwiring the alien tech "boot" that's immobilizing Ship/Julie. Gwen provides cover.

Freed from the "boot", Armored Julie joins the battle.

With Ben, Kevin, Gwen and Armored Julie working together, the Vreedle Brothers are finally defeated.

But not destroyed. They flee in their pickup-truck-of-a-spaceship, with its left blinker stuck on.

Ship, freed from the alien tech boot, sloughs off Julie. Ben is surprised to see her! That was pretty sweet.

Julie comments on how Ben may play it cool and pretend like he doesn't care that much, but he went halfway across the galaxy just to save her pet. So she knows he really cares about her. But she won't make a big deal about it and embarrass him in front of his friends. Kevin: "Too late."

## TAG

### EXT. MR. SMOOTHIE PARKING LOT

Ben, Kevin, Gwen, Julie and Ship assess the damage, saddened about Basil being blasted to pieces by his own bounty hunters.

The Upgrade surprises them all by regenerating! "Ow. That smarts."

After a tense moment of uncertainty, Basil says he'll let Ship stay on Earth with Julie... as long as the great Ben Tennyson, wielder of the Omnitrix, savior of the universe, is going to be around. Ship is grateful. Julie is grateful. Ben is, yeah, grateful too, but feels like that's sure putting some added pressure on his and Julie's relationship! Kevin makes a sardonic remark.

THE END.